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DISEASE THREATENS BIG GAME IN CANADA

United States hunters planning to go to Canada this fall in quest of big game were warned by Albert M. Day, Director of the Fish and Wildlife Service, that recent outbreaks of foot-and-mouth disease among Canadian cattle have caused certain bans and restrictions to be placed on the transporting of all cloven-hoofed animals into the United States.

Among the game animals affected by the regulations, issued by the United States Department of Agriculture, are moose, deer, elk, caribou, mountain goat, mountain sheep and antelope. As long as the disease persists, the bringing of these animals back across the border will be prohibited.

However, small quantities of completely boned and thoroughly cooked meat from any of these animals, intended for personal consumption, may be brought back if inspected and approved by the United States Bureau of Animal Industry Inspectors at the border.

Hides or skins of these game animals may be brought into this country if hard-dried; or they may be shipped to points in the United States if consigned to an establishment approved by the Bureau of Animal Industry for proper disinfection or processing. The hides or skins in the latter case must be moved in a railroad car, truck, or tight container (can or cask) that has been sealed with United States Department of Agriculture seals.

Antlers, horns, hoofs, or other such trophies may be brought across the border if found by inspectors to be thoroughly and properly cleaned and dried.

It has been pointed out by the United States Department of Agriculture that hides, skins, and the above-mentioned trophies can be pretty well assured of clearance at the border if they have been properly treated by a taxidermist in Canada.

It is impossible to anticipate how long the regulations will remain in effect. This depends upon the success of efforts being made in Canada to eliminate the disease.

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